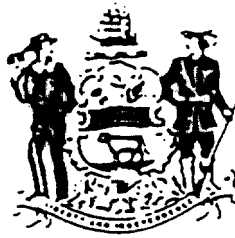


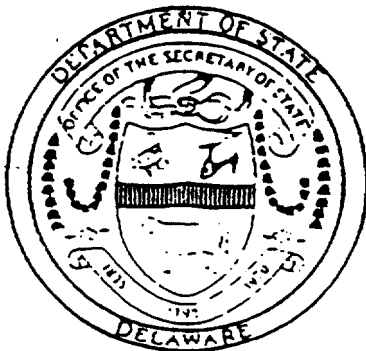
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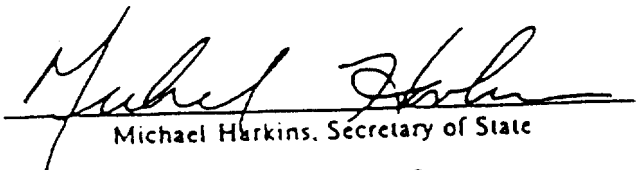
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I, MICHAEL HARKINS, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT BEFORE PAYMENT FOR STOCK OF MCI PRIVATE SYSTEMS, INC. FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TWENTIETH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D. 1990, AT 12:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

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Michael Harkins, Secretary of State

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DATE: 02/20/1990

CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT
OF
CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF
MCI PRIVATE SYSTEMS, INC.

It is hereby certified that:

1. The name of the corporation (hereinafter called the "corporation") is

MCI PRIVATE SYSTEMS, INC.

2. The Incorporator of the corporation has, pursuant to Section 107 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, adopted a resolution declaring it advisable that the certificate of incorporation of the corporation be amended by striking out Article FIRST thereof and substituting in lieu thereof the following new Article:

FIRST: The name of the corporation is Western Union ATS, Inc.

3. The corporation has not received any payment for any of its stock.

4. The aforesaid amendment to the certificate of incorporation of the corporation was duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 241 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

MCI PRIVATE SYSTEMS, INC.

By: Deborah A. Walt
Deborah A-S Walt
Incorporator

State of Delaware
Office of the Secretary of State

I, WILLIAM T. QUILLEN, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF "WESTERN UNION ATS, INC." FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE THIRD DAY OF MARCH, A.D. 1993, AT 9 O'CLOCK A.M.

A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO KENT COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS FOR RECORDING.

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William T. Quillen

William T. Quillen, Secretary of State

AUTHENTICATION: *3805956

DATE: 03/03/1993

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CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT
OF
CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF

WESTERN UNION ATS, INC.

It is hereby certified that:

1. The name of the corporation (hereinafter called the "corporation") is WESTERN UNION ATS, INC.

2. The certificate of incorporation of the corporation is hereby amended by striking out Article First thereof and substituting in lieu of said Article the following new Article First:

First: The name of the corporation (hereinafter called the "corporation") is ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.

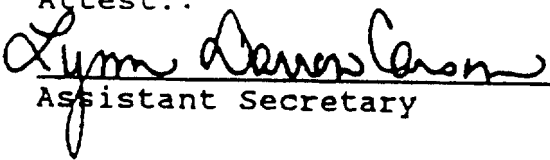
The amendment of the certificate of incorporation herein certified has been duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

Signed and attested to on March 2, 1993.



President

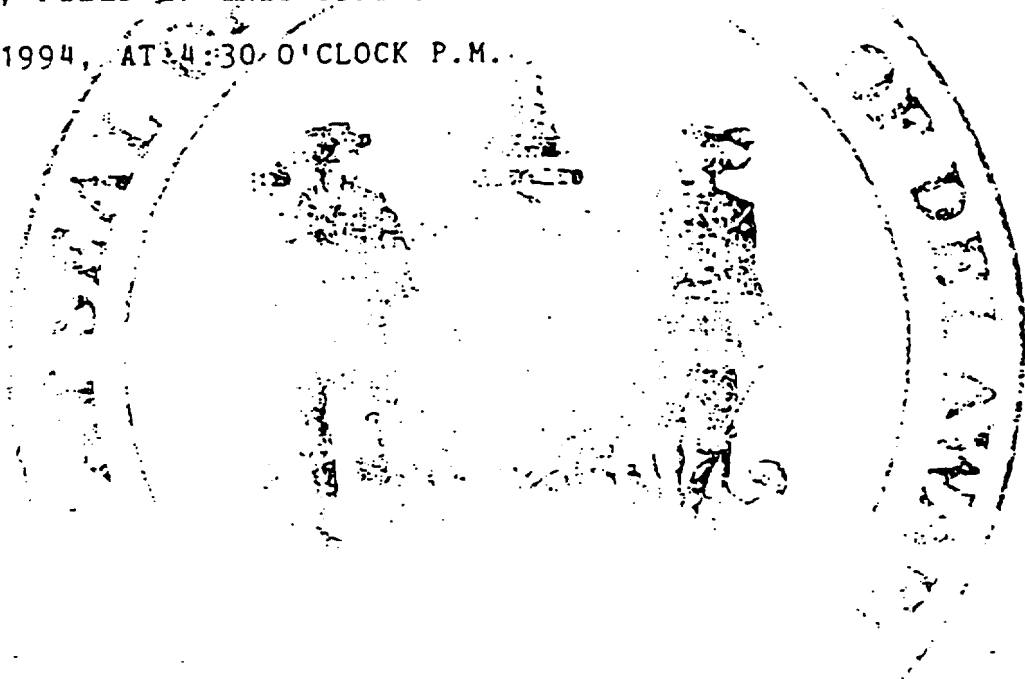
Attest:.



Assistant Secretary

Office of the Secretary of State

I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF "ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.", CHANGING ITS NAME FROM "ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC." TO "MCI METRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF AUGUST, A.D. 1994, AT 4:30 O'CLOCK P.M.



Edward J. Freel: Secretary of State

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CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT
OF
CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF
ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.

It is hereby certified that:

1. The name of the corporation (hereinafter called the "corporation") is

ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.

2. The board of directors of the corporation has by unanimous consent, pursuant to Section 141 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, adopted a resolution declaring it advisable that the certificate of incorporation of the corporation be amended by striking out Article 1. thereof and substituting in lieu thereof the following new Article:

1. The name of the corporation is MCI METRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.


3. The board of directors of the corporation has adopted a resolution by unanimous written consent, pursuant to Section 141 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, directing that aforesaid amendment to the certificate of incorporation of the corporation be presented to the sole stockholder of the corporation for its consideration.

4. The sole stockholder of the corporation has given its written consent to the aforesaid amendment to the certificate of incorporation in accordance with the provisions of Section 228 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

5. The aforesaid amendment to the certificate of incorporation of the corporation was duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Access Transmission Services, Inc. has caused its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and this certificate signed by Hoxie P. Scott, its President, and attested to by Edward G. Freitag, its Assistant Secretary, this 31st day of August, 1994.

ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.

By: 
Hoxie P. Scott
President

Attest:

By: _____
Edward G. Freitag
Assistant Secretary

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Access Transmission Services, Inc. has caused its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and this certificate signed by Hoxie P. Scott, its President, and attested to by Edward G. Freitag, its Assistant Secretary, this 31st day of August, 1994.

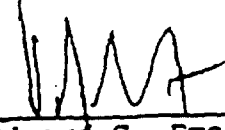
ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.

By: _____

Hoxie P. Scott
President

Attest:

By: _____


Edward G. Freitag
Assistant Secretary

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I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE SAID "MCI METRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.", FILED A CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT, CHANGING ITS NAME TO "MCI METRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.", THE THIRD DAY OF JULY, A.D. 1995. AT 9 O'CLOCK A.M.

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I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC." IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE THIRD DAY OF MARCH, A.D. 1997.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE FRANCHISE TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID TO DATE.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL REPORTS HAVE BEEN FILED TO DATE.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Edward J. Freel".

Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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APPLICATION FOR AN AMENDED CERTIFICATE
OF AUTHORITY BY A FOREIGN CORPORATION
TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN SOUTH CAROLINA

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Jim Miles
SECRETARY OF STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Pursuant to §33-15-104 of the 1976 South Carolina Code, as amended, the undersigned corporation hereby applies for an amended certificate of authority to transact business in the State of South Carolina and for that purpose submits the following statement:

1. The name of the corporation is MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.
- 1a. The above named corporation received a Certificate of Authority to transact business in South Carolina on: 6/4/90.
2. This application is filed for the following reason (complete all applicable items):
 - ☐ a. The corporation has changed its corporate name as follows MCImetro ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.
 - ☐ b. The corporation has changed its duration to No change
 - ☐ c. The corporation has changed the state or county of its incorporation to No change
3. The name of the corporation for the purposes of transacting business in South Carolina is (See §§33-4-101 and 33-15-106) and see §33-19-500(b)(1) if the corporation is a professional corporation) MCImetro ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.
4. It is incorporated as (check applicable item) ☒ a general business corporation, ☐ a professional corporation, the laws of the state of Delaware
5. The date of its incorporation is 2/9/90 and the period of its duration is perpetual
6. The address of the principal office of the corporation in the jurisdiction of its incorporation is 32 Lockerman Square in the city of Dover
(Street & Number)
and the state of Delaware 10573
Zip Code
7. The address of the registered office in the state of South Carolina is 2019 Park Street in the city of Columbia, South Carolina 29201
(Street & Number)
Zip Code
8. The name of the registered agent in this state at such address is Boatice Hall Corporation System

9. The name and usual business address of the corporation's directors (if the corporation has no directors, then the name and address of those persons who are exercising the statutory authority of directors on behalf of the corporation) and principal Officers:

a) Name of Directors

Nata Davis
Gary Parsons
Michael Rowley
Haxie D. Scott

Business Address

1650 Tyson Blvd MCL Ga. VA 22102
1650 Tyson Blvd MCL Ga. VA 22102
1801 2A Ave NW Wash. DC 20006
2400 N Glenville Rd Richardson, TX

b) Name and Office of
Principal Officers

Haxie D. Scott, President
Charles W. Ray, Vice Pres
John Quinn, Treasurer
Edward Freitag, Asst Sec.

Business Address

2400 N. Glenville Rd. Richardson, TX
1133 19th St, NW Wash., DC 200
2400 N. Glenville Rd Richardson, TX
1133 19th St, NW Wash., DC 20036

10. The aggregate number of shares which the corporation has authority to issue, itemized by classes and series, if any, within a class:

Class of Shares (and Series, if any)

Common

Authorized No. of Each Class (and Series)

1,000 (No Series)

11. Unless a delayed date is specified, this application shall be effective when accepted for filing by the Secretary of State (See §33-1-230): _____

12. Dated this 21 day of August 19 95

MCImetro ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, I
(Name of Corporation)

By: _____

(Signature of Officer)

Charles W. Ray, Vice President
(Type or Print Name and Office)

FILING INSTRUCTIONS

- Two copies of this application, the original and either a duplicate original or a conformed copy, must be filed.
- If the space in this form is insufficient, please attach additional sheets containing a reference to the appropriate paragraph in this form.
- Schedule of Fees (payable at the time of filing this document)

Fee for filing Application (payable to the Secretary of State)
Filing Tax

\$ 10.00
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- If the applicant corporation is adopting a fictitious name for use in South Carolina pursuant to Section 33-15-106(a), then a certified copy of the board of directors resolution approving the fictitious name must be attached to the application.

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I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "INOMETER ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC." IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF AUGUST, A.D. 1995.

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SECRETARY OF STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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MCImetro ACCESS TRANSMISSION
SERVICES, INC.

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ACCESS SERVICES

TITLE SHEET

South Carolina TELECOMMUNICATIONS TARIFF

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, service standards, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service and facilities for telecommunications services provided by MCImetro Access Transmission Service, Inc., with principal offices at 1801 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20006. This tariff applies for services furnished within the state of South Carolina. This tariff is on file with the South Carolina Public Service Commission, and copies may be inspected, during normal business hours, at the Company's principal place of business.

MCImetro ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC.

REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF INTRASTATE CHARGES
APPLYING TO ACCESS SERVICES BETWEEN
FIXED POINTS IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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CHECK SHEET

The Title Sheet and Sheets 1 - 64 inclusive of this tariff are effective as of the date shown. Original and revised sheets, as named below, comprise all changes from the original tariff in effect on the date indicated.

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APPLICATION OF TARIFF

This tariff sets forth the service offerings, rates, terms and conditions applicable to the furnishing of intrastate access and point to point service within the State of South Carolina by MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. (hereinafter "The Company").

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Manager, Rates and Tariffs
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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS, REFERENCE MARKS, AND ABBREVIATIONS OF TECHNICAL TERMS USED IN THIS
TARIFF

The following symbols shall be used in this tariff for the purpose indicated below:

C	-	To signify changed regulation.
D	-	To signify discontinued rate or regulation.
I	-	To signify increased rate.
M	-	To signify a move in the location of text.
N	-	To signify new rate or regulation.
R	-	To signify reduced rate.
T	-	To signify a change in text but no change in rate or regulation.

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1. DEFINITIONS

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff for the Access Services of this Company are defined below.

Access Code: A uniform five or seven digit code assigned by the Company to an individual customer. The five digit code has the form 10XXX, and the seven digit code has the form 950-XXXX or 101XXXX.

Access Service: Switched or Special Access to the network of an Interexchange Carrier for the purpose of originating or terminating communications.

Access Service Request (ASR): The industry service order format used by Access Service customers and access providers as agreed to by the Ordering and Billing Forum.

Access Tandem: An Exchange Carrier's switching system that provides a concentration and distribution function for originating or terminating traffic between local switching centers and customers' premises.

Advance Payment: Payment of all or part of a charge required before the start of service.

Alternate Access: Alternate Access has the same meaning as Local Access except that the provider of the service is an entity other than the local Exchange Carrier authorized or permitted to provide such service. The charges for Alternate Access may be specified in a private agreement rather than in a published or special tariff if private agreements are permitted by applicable governmental rules.

Authorized User: A person, firm, corporation or other entity that either is authorized by the Customer to use Access Services or is placed in a position by the Customer, either through acts or omissions, to use Access Services.

Bit: The smallest unit of information in the binary system of notation.

Carrier or Common Carrier: See Interexchange Carrier or Exchange Carrier.

Channel(s): An electrical or, in the case of fiber optic-based transmission systems, a photonic communications path between two or more points of termination.

Common Channel Signaling (CCS): A high speed packet switched communications network which is separate (out of band) from the public packet switched and message networks. It is used to carry addressed signaling messages for individual trunk circuits and/or database related services between signaling points in the CCS network.

Company: MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation, which is the issuer of this tariff.

Conventional Signaling: The inter-machine signaling system has been traditionally used in North America for the purpose of transmitting the called number's address digits from the originating Local Switching Center which terminates the call. In this system, all of the dialed digits are received by the originating switching machine, a path is selected, and the sequence of supervisory signals and outpulsed digits is initiated. No overlap outpulsing ten digit ANI, ANI information digits, or acknowledgment link are included in this signaling sequence.

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1 DEFINITIONS (Cont.)

Customer: The person, firm, corporation or other entity which orders Service and is responsible for the payment of charges and for compliance with the Company's tariff regulations.

Dedicated: A facility or equipment system or subsystem set aside for the sole use of a specific customer.

Duplex Service: Service which provides for simultaneous transmission in both directions.

800 Data Base Access Service: The term "800 Data Base Access Service" denotes a toll-free originating Trunkside Access Service when the 8XX Service Access Code (i.e., 800, 822, 833, 844, 855, 866, 877, or 888 as available) is used. The term 8XX is used interchangeably with 800 Data Base Service throughout this tariff to describe this service.

End User: Any individual, association, corporation, governmental agency or any other entity other than an Interexchange Carrier which subscribes to intrastate service provided by an Exchange Carrier.

Exchange Carrier: Any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, governmental entity or corporation engaged in the provision of local exchange telephone service.

Fiber Optic Cable: A thin filament of glass with a protective outer coating through which a light beam carrying communications signals may be transmitted by means of multiple internal reflections to a receiver, which translates the message.

Firm Order Confirmation (FOC) Acknowledgment by the Company of receipt of an Access Service Request from the Customer and commitment by the Company of a Service Date.

Hub: The Company office where all customer facilities are terminated for purposes of interconnection to Trunks and/or cross-connection to distant ends.

Individual Case Basis: A service arrangement in which the regulations, rates and charges are developed based on the specific circumstances of the Customer's situation.

Interexchange Carrier (IC) or Interexchange Common Carrier: Any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, governmental entity or corporation engaged in state or foreign communication for hire by wire or radio, between two or more exchanges.

Joint User: A person, firm or corporation designated by the Customer as a user of access facilities furnished to the Customer by the Company, and to whom a portion of the charges for such facilities are billed under a joint use arrangement.

Kbps: Kilobits, or thousands of Bits, per second.

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MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc.

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ACCESS SERVICES

1. DEFINITIONS (Cont.)

LATA: A local access and transport area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgment entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Civil Action No. 82-0192 for the provision and administration of communications services.

Line Information Data Base (LIDB): The data base which contains billing information such as telephone numbers, calling card numbers and associated billed number restriction data used in connection with the validation and billing of calls.

Local Access: The connection between a customer's premises and a point of presence of the Exchange Carrier.

Local Switching Center: The switching center where telephone exchange service customer station Channels are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to interoffice Trunks.

Mbps: Megabits, or millions of Bits, per second.

Meet Point Billing: The arrangement through which multiple Exchange Carriers involved in providing Access Services, divide the ordering, rating, and billing of such services on a proportional basis, so that each Exchange Carrier involved in providing a portion of the Access Service agrees to bill under its respective tariff.

Network: The Company's digital fiber optics-based network located in the Continental United States.

Network Services: The Company's telecommunications Access Services offered on the Company's Network.

Non-Recurring Charges: The one-time initial charges for services or facilities, including but not limited to charges for construction, installation, or special fees, for which the Customer becomes liable at the time the Service Order is executed.

Off-Hook: The active condition of Switched Access or a telephone exchange service line.

Off-Net: A Customer is considered to be Off-Net when its point of presence is not served by the same Hub in which the Company's Local Switching Center, which is providing service to the Customer, is located.

On-Hook: The idle condition of switched access or a telephone exchange service line.

On-Net: A Customer is considered to be On-Net when its point of presence is served by the same Hub in which the Company's Local Switching Center, which is providing service to the Customer, is located.

Out of Band Signaling: An exchange access signaling feature which allows customers to exchange call control and signaling information over a communications path which is separate from the message path.

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DEFINITIONS (Cont.)

Point of Presence: Location where the Customer maintains a facility for purposes of interconnecting to the Company's Network.

Point to Point Service: An unswitched full time transmission service utilizing the Company's facilities to connect two or more Customer designated locations.

Premises: The space occupied by a Customer or Authorized User in a building or buildings or on contiguous property (except railroad rights-of-way, etc.).

Presubscription: An arrangement whereby an End User may select and designate to the Company an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) or Carriers it wishes to access, without an Access Code, for completing interLATA calls. The selected IXC(s) are referred to as the End User's Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC). The End User may select any IXC that orders FGD Switched Access Service at the Local Switching Center that serves the End User.

Recurring Charges: The monthly charges to the Customer for services, facilities and equipment, which continue for the agreed upon duration of the service.

Service Commencement Date: For Special Access Service and Direct Connect Switched Access Service, the first day following the date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the requested service or facility is available for use, unless extended by the Customer's refusal to accept service which does not conform to standards set forth in the Service Order or this tariff, in which case the Service Commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance of service. The parties may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date. If the Company does not have an executed Service Order from a Customer, the Service Commencement Date will be the first date on which the service or facility was used by the Customer. For Tandem Connect Customers, the Service Commencement Date will be the first date on which the service or facility was used by the Customer.

Service Order: The written request for Network Services executed by the Customer and the Company in a format devised by the Company; or, in the alternative, the submission of an Access Service Request by the Customer in the manner specified in this tariff. The signing of a Service Order or submission of an ASR by the Customer and acceptance thereof by the Company initiates the respective obligations of the parties as set forth therein and pursuant to this tariff, but the duration of the service is calculated from the Service Commencement Date.

Service(s): The Company's telecommunications Access Services offered on the Company's Network.

Shared Facilities: A facility or equipment system or subsystem which can be used simultaneously by several customers.

Signaling Point of Interface: The Customer designated location where the SS7 signaling information is exchanged between the Company and the Customer.

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